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SUBJECT: GARRISON DIVERSION

1. REQUEST EMBASSY DELIVER FOLLOWING NOTE TO SHORTLIFFE,
U.S.A. DIVISION, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OR OTHER APPROPRIATE
OFFICIAL.

QUOTE

THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES PRESENTS ITS
COMPLIMENTS TO THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND HAS
THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE MEETING OF SENIOR OFFICIALS OF
BOTH GOVERNMENTS SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 15 TO DISCUSS THE
GARRISON DIVERSION UNIT. THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
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IS OF THE VIEW THAT CERTAIN EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION

PRIOR TO THAT MEETING WOULD FACILITATE THOSE DISCUSSIONS. ON ITS PART, THE UNITED STATES WILL FORWARD TO THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT FURTHER INFORMATION RELATING TO THE POTENTIAL EFFECTS OF INCREASED FLOWS RESULTING FROM THE GARRISON DIVERSION UNIT ON FLOOD CONDITIONS IN THE SOURIS RIVER. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THIS INFORMATION WILL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT APPROXIMATELY 30 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING.

IN TURN, THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WOULD

APPRECIATE RECEIVING FROM THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT ITS COMMENTS ON THE COMPUTER MODEL USED TO PREDICT RETURN FLOWS FROM THE GARRISON DIVERSION UNIT AND ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT MAY HAVE AS A RESULT OF THE VISIT OF CANADIAN OFFICIALS TO THE (DENVER) ENGINEERING AND RESEARCH CENTER AND TO THE GARRISON DIVERSION PROJECT AREA FROM OCTOBER 29 TO NOVEMBER 1, 1974.

THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES TAKES THIS OCCASION TO RENEW TO THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. UNQUOTE

2. FYI-SENIOR OFFICIALS OF STATE, INTERIOR, AND EPA MET NOVEMBER 26 AND DISCUSSED GARRISON. SECOND MEETING WILL BE HELD BEFORE MEETING WITH CANADIANS. YOU SHOULD INFORM CANADIANS THAT THIS REQUEST IS NO MORE THAN AN ATTEMPT TO CLARIFY REMAINING TECHNICAL QUESTIONS BEFORE FOCUSING ON POLITICAL PROBLEM. REQUEST YOU FOLLOW UP AND ASCERTAIN IF AND WHEN CANADIANS WILL REPLY. INGERSOLL

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